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| <b>Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary</b> | <b>Application No.</b> | <b>Applicant(s)</b> |  |
|   | 10/500,288             | ACKERMANN ET AL.    |  |
|   | <b>Examiner</b>        | <b>Art Unit</b>     |  |
|   | Paul A. Zucker         | 1621                |  |

**All Participants:**

(1) Paul A. Zucker.

(2) Corwin Umbach.

**Status of Application:** Allowed

(3) \_\_\_\_\_.

(4) \_\_\_\_\_.

**Date of Interview:** 25 May 2005

**Time:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Type of Interview:**

- ☒ Telephonic  
☐ Video Conference  
☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

**Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated:** ☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, provide a brief description: \_\_\_\_\_

**Part I.**

**Rejection(s) discussed:**

112, 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph of 5 and 11

**Claims discussed:**

5,11

**Prior art documents discussed:**

N/A

**Part II.**

**SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:**

See Continuation Sheet

**Part III.**

- ☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.  
☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.

  
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 (Examiner/SPE Signature)

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 (Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: The Examiner called Mr. Umbach to indicate tha the application was almost in condition for allowance except that the use of the word "preferably" rendered claims 5 and 11 indefinite, The Examine also pointed out that a section headed "brief Description of the Drawings" was missing. Mr. Umbach agreed to authorize an Examiner's Amendment as follows in order to put the application in condition for allowance:

The claims have been amended as follows:

Claim 5, lines 3-4: The phrase [, preferably 1.05-1.15] has been deleted and replaced with the word -- and --.

Claim 11, line 3: The word [ preferably] has been deleted.

New claim 18 has been added as follows:

--18. Process according to Claim 1, characterized in that the molar ratio of methyl (meth)acrylate to alcohol in the feed to the reactor is from 1.05 to 1.15.--

The specification has been amended as follows:

Page 6, line 1: The phrase [Process Description] has been deleted and replaced with the phrase -- Brief Description of the Drawings --..